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2012 CROP PRODUCTION

The winter and spring of 2012 were relatively mild and allowed spring fieldwork to progress quickly. Idaho experienced areas of flooding, freezing temperatures, and dry conditions in 2012. Irrigated acreage benefitted from large water stocks carried over from 2011. Corn for grain and sugarbeets posted record yields, but overall crop yields were mixed.

Favorable weather conditions allowed rapid planting in April. By mid-April, most crop planting had progressed ahead of average. By the end of April, corn, dry peas and lentils were the only crops behind their five year average at the state level.

Onion emergence was complete by the beginning of May. Temperatures across the state were below average and some counties reported concerns for crop damage due to frost. By mid-May, sugarbeet, spring wheat, and barley planting was essentially complete. The end of May brought much needed moisture, statewide.

The month of June began with sugarbeets progressing to 99 percent emerged. By mid-June, potatoes were 99 percent emerged and were 18 percentage points above their five year average. June ended with North Idaho reporting flooding and Eastern Idaho reporting freeze damage to small grains as they headed out. The first cutting of alfalfa was 90 percent complete, statewide.

July began with flooded fields still being a concern in North Idaho and 96 percent of all potatoes were at least 12 inches high.

By mid-July, corn was beginning to tassel and winter wheat harvest had begun in all but the northern district. July ended with all potatoes closing middles and the second cutting of alfalfa was 66 percent complete.

Cereal grain harvest was well underway by the beginning of August. By mid-August, onion, dry peas, dry beans, and lentil harvests had begun. By the end of the month, winter wheat harvest, the first cutting of mint, and the second cutting of alfalfa were nearing completion. Lemhi County reported that smoke from fires was holding temperatures down.

Potato harvest was underway in each growing region of the state and Cassia County reported hail damage to bean, alfalfa and sugarbeet fields the first week of September. By mid-September, sugarbeet harvest had started and winter wheat seeding had begun in all but the northern district. Severe smoke was reported in Clearwater County. September ended with the third cutting of alfalfa nearly complete and potato harvest near the half way point.

Corn harvested for grain had begun and dry bean and onion harvests were nearing completion the first week in October. By mid-October, the state received much needed precipitation and potato harvest was wrapping up. October ended with more statewide precipitation. Winter wheat seeding was essentially complete and sugarbeet and corn for grain harvests were 74 and 41 percent complete, respectively.

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2012 IDAHO ANNUAL CROP SUMMARY

CROP	YEAR	ACRES		YIELD PER ACRE	UNIT	IDAHO'S RANK IN THE NATION	PRODUCTION	PRICE PER UNIT ¹	VALUE OF PRODUCTION ¹
		Planted	Harvested						
		<i>Thousands</i>					<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
WHEAT, ALL	2010	1,400	1,345	79.9	<i>Bu</i>	9	107,410	5.90	642,416
	2011	1,471	1,401	82.8	"	5	115,979	6.93	813,440
	2012	1,313	1,253	78.2	"	7	98,006	8.20	808,450
WHEAT, WINTER	2010	750	710	82	"	9	58,220	5.68	330,690
	2011	820	770	82	"	9	63,140	6.57	414,830
	2012	780	740	80	"	8	59,200	8.15	482,480
WHEAT, SPRING (EXCLUDING DURUM)	2010	630	615	78	"	5	47,970	6.33	303,650
	2011	640	620	84	"	4	52,080	7.52	391,642
	2012	520	500	76	"	5	38,000	8.40	319,200
DURUM WHEAT	2010	20	20	61	"	5	1,220	6.62	8,076
	2011	11	11	69	"	5	759	9.18	6,968
	2012	13	13	62	"	5	806	8.40	6,770
BARLEY	2010	490	470	92	"	2	43,240	4.12	178,149
	2011	520	500	93	"	1	46,500	5.63	261,795
	2012	610	590	91	"	2	53,690	6.55	351,670
OATS	2010	70	20	84	"	16	1,680	2.00	3,360
	2011	70	15	70	"	18	1,050	2.94	3,087
	2012	70	15	65	"	18	975	3.15	3,071
CORN, ALL	2010	320	315	--	"	--	--	--	--
	2011	350	345	--	"	--	--	--	--
	2012	360	355	--	"	--	--	--	--
CORN, GRAIN	2010	--	110	180	"	32	19,800	5.27	104,346
	2011	--	120	185	"	30	22,200	6.96	154,512
	2012	--	135	190	"	30	25,650	7.40	189,810
CORN, SILAGE	2010	--	205	25.0	<i>Tons</i>	8	5,125	--	--
	2011	--	225	27.5	"	6	6,188	--	--
	2012	--	220	27.0	"	6	5,940	--	--
HAY, ALL	2010	--	1,470	3.71	"	10	5,460	124.00	669,858
	2011	--	1,350	3.76	"	9	5,070	215.00	1,064,260
	2012	--	1,340	3.55	"	5	4,760	189.00	880,320
HAY, ALFALFA	2010	--	1,130	4.20	"	3	4,746	127.00	602,742
	2011	--	1,000	4.30	"	4	4,300	221.00	950,300
	2012	--	1,040	4.00	"	2	4,160	192.00	798,720
HAY, OTHER	2010	--	340	2.10	"	33	714	94.00	67,116
	2011	--	350	2.20	"	29	770	148.00	113,960
	2012	--	300	2.00	"	30	600	136.00	81,600
SUGARBEETS	2010	171	170	31.0	"	3	5,270	57.30	301,971
	2011	176	176	34.4	"	2	6,054	65.40	395,932
	2012	183	182	35.3	"	2	6,425	2/	2/
DRY EDIBLE BEANS	2010	135	134	19.0	<i>Cwt</i>	5	2,546	27.20	69,251
	2011	95	94	20.0	"	5	1,880	36.10	67,868
	2012	145	144	21.0	"	5	3,024	35.50	107,352
POTATOES, ALL	2010	295	294	384	"	1	112,970	8.10	915,057
	2011	320	319	404	"	1	128,760	8.10	1,042,956
	2012	345	344	416	"	1	143,240	6.55	938,222
LENTILS	2010	55	54	9.50	"	4	513	27.90	14,313
	2011	28	27	13.00	"	4	351	31.50	11,057
	2012	33	32	12.00	"	4	384	28.30	10,867
AUSTRIAN WINTER PEAS	2010	11.0	9.0	11.00	"	2	99	17.70	1,752
	2011	6.0	5.0	17.00	"	1	85	20.00	1,700
	2012	5.5	4.5	13.00	"	2	59	19.60	1,156
DRY EDIBLE PEAS	2010	31.0	30.0	16.00	"	4	480	11.10	5,328
	2011	16.0	15.0	18.00	"	4	270	15.40	4,158
	2012	27.0	26.0	19.00	"	4	494	16.10	7,953
WRINKLED SEED PEAS	2010	--	--	--	"	2	190	39.80	7,562
	2011	--	--	--	"	2	135	40.80	5,508
	2012	--	--	--	"	2	120	32.10	3,852
CANOLA	2010	19.5	18.4	1,800	<i>Lbs</i>	4	33,120	.187	6,193
	2011	19.0	18.5	2,100	"	5	38,850	.200	7,770
	2012	38.0	37.0	1,800	"	3	66,000	.258	17,183

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		Planted	Harvested						
		<i>Thousands</i>					<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
ONIONS ³	2010	9.2	9.0	760	<i>Cwt</i>	4	6,840	8.70	50,025
	2011	9.4	9.2	780	"	4	7,176	6.10	36,759
	2012	8.7	8.5	730	"	4	6,205	10.00	52,050
HOPS	2010	--	2.3	2,129	<i>Lbs</i>	3	4,963	3.89	19,305
	2011	--	2.3	2,408	"	3	5,454	2.93	15,981
	2012	--	2.4	1,745	"	3	4,228	2.69	11,372
MINT, PEPPERMINT	2010	--	15.5	100	"	3	1,550	19.10	29,605
	2011	--	16.5	100	"	3	1,650	23.00	37,950
	2012	--	16.5	110	"	2	1,815	23.30	42,290
MINT, SPEARMINT	2010	--	1.0	115	"	4	115	15.60	1,794
	2011	--	0.9	120	"	4	108	18.60	2,009
	2012	--	0.8	120	"	5	96	18.60	1,786
APPLES ⁴ (COMMERCIAL CROP)	2010	--	--	--	"	11	60,000	.232	13,910
	2011	--	--	--	"	10	60,000	.239	14,350
	2012	--	--	--	"	9	75,000	.320	24,000
PEACHES ⁴	2010	--	--	--	Tons	13	6.50	908	5,900
	2011	--	--	--	"	13	6.70	1,160	7,800
	2012	--	--	--	"	12	6.80	1,340	9,098
CHERRIES SWEET ⁴	2010	--	--	--	"	6	1.80	2,230	4,011
	2011	--	--	--	"	5	2.80	2,620	7,337
	2012	--	--	--	"	5	3.30	2,640	8,706
PRUNES & PLUMS ⁴	2010	--	--	--	"	3	2.60	378	983
	2011	--	--	--	"	3	2.50	354	886
	2012	--	--	--	"	3	2.30	700	1,609
TOTAL CROP VALUES ⁵	2010	--	--	--	"	--	--	--	3,053,284
	2011	--	--	--	"	--	--	--	3,967,612
	2012	--	--	--	"	--	--	--	3,903,959

1/ Marketing year price. 2012 is preliminary. 2/ 2012 sugarbeet price and value not yet determined. 3/ Summer storage crop. Production includes some quantities of storage crop onions harvested but not sold because of shrinkage and loss. 4/ Data shown are for utilized production which is the amount of fruit sold plus quantities used at home or held in storage. 5/ Total value includes unpublished values from miscellaneous crops and an allowance for 2012 sugarbeets valued at 2011 prices.

2012 UNITED STATES CROP SUMMARY

CROP	YEAR	ACRES		YIELD PER ACRE	UNIT	IDAHO'S RANK IN THE NATION	PRODUCTION	PRICE PER UNIT ¹	VALUE OF PRODUCTION ¹
		PLANTED	HARVESTED						
		<i>Thousands</i>					<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
WHEAT, WINTER	2010	37,335	31,741	46.8	<i>Bu</i>	9	1,484,861	5.37	8,009,479
	2011	40,646	32,314	46.2	"	9	1,493,677	6.81	10,158,214
	2012	41,324	34,834	47.2	"	8	1,645,202	7.65	12,547,275
WHEAT, SPRING (EXCLUDING DURUM)	2010	13,698	13,359	46.1	"	5	615,975	6.49	4,157,042
	2011	12,394	12,079	37.7	"	4	455,188	8.24	3,688,088
	2012	12,289	12,055	45.0	"	5	541,959	8.50	4,698,011
BARLEY	2010	2,872	2,465	73.1	"	2	180,268	3.86	691,666
	2011	2,559	2,239	69.6	"	1	155,780	5.35	813,920
	2012	3,637	3,244	67.9	"	2	220,284	6.40	1,371,583
OATS	2010	3,138	1,263	64.3	"	16	81,190	2.52	217,498
	2011	2,496	939	57.1	"	18	53,649	3.49	189,263
	2012	2,760	1,045	61.3	"	18	64,024	3.80	248,918
CORN, GRAIN ²	2010	88,192	81,446	152.8	"	32	12,446,865	5.18	64,643,295
	2011	91,936	83,989	147.2	"	30	12,359,612	6.22	76,939,603
	2012	97,155	87,375	123.4	"	30	10,780,296	7.20	77,351,937
CORN, SILAGE	2010	--	5,567	19.3	<i>Tons</i>	8	107,314	--	--
	2011	--	5,935	18.4	"	6	109,094	--	--
	2012	--	7,379	15.4	"	6	113,450	--	--
HAY, ALL	2010	--	59,872	2.43	"	10	145,624	114.00	14,656,191
	2011	--	55,653	2.36	"	9	131,216	178.00	18,251,166
	2012	--	56,260	2.13	"	5	119,878	191.00	18,557,653
SUGARBEETS	2010	1,171.9	1,156.1	27.7	"	3	32,034	66.90	2,142,162
	2011	1,232.8	1,213.2	23.8	"	2	28,896	69.50	2,008,452
	2012	1,230.1	1,204.2	29.3	"	2	35,336	3/	3/
DRY EDIBLE BEANS	2010	1,911.4	1,842.7	17.26	<i>Cwt</i>	5	31,801	28.00	899,258
	2011	1,217.9	1,167.9	17.03	"	5	19,890	42.10	851,131
	2012	1,742.5	1,690.4	18.89	"	5	31,925	38.50	1,269,695
POTATOES, ALL	2010	1,025.7	1,008.0	401	"	1	404,273	9.20	3,721,501
	2011	1,099.2	1,077.0	399	"	1	429,647	9.41	4,040,568
	2012	1,148.3	1,132.7	412	"	1	467,126	8.39	3,914,949
LENTILS	2010	658.0	634.0	13.65	"	4	8,657	25.70	219,073
	2011	428.0	411.0	11.51	"	4	4,732	25.00	118,636
	2012	463.0	450.0	11.78	"	4	5,302	20.30	107,631
AUSTRIAN WINTER PEAS	2010	31.2	17.9	13.24	"	2	237	17.10	4,022
	2011	18.0	12.3	14.63	"	1	180	19.50	3,513
	2012	19.0	13.7	12.19	"	2	167	21.80	3,644
DRY EDIBLE PEAS	2010	756.0	711.4	19.99	"	4	14,221	9.77	138,792
	2011	362.0	342.8	16.41	"	4	5,625	15.30	85,424
	2012	649.0	621.0	17.51	"	4	10,872	15.00	162,989
WRINKLED SEED PEAS	2010	--	--	--	"	2	580	27.80	16,142
	2011	--	--	--	"	2	509	29.20	14,858
	2012	--	--	--	"	2	406	26.00	10,573
ONIONS ⁴	2010	107.8	104.7	536	"	4	56,152	10.70	535,122
	2011	103.5	99.2	552	"	4	54,800	8.35	408,387
	2012	105.9	103.8	520	"	4	54,000	11.30	554,708
TOTAL CROP VALUES ⁵	2010	--	--	--	"	--	--	--	191,234,810
	2011	--	--	--	"	--	--	--	212,059,439
	2012	--	--	--	"	--	--	--	225,710,050

1/ Marketing year price. Averages computed by weighting State prices by estimated State sales and therefore may differ from the computed averages. 2012 is preliminary. 2/ Planted acreage is all corn planted (excluding sweet corn). 3/ 2012 sugarbeet price and value not yet determined. 4/ Summer storage crop. Production includes some quantities of storage crop onions harvested but not sold because of shrinkage and loss. 5/ Total value includes unpublished values from miscellaneous crops and an allowance for 2012 sugarbeets valued at 2011 prices.